

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Monday, February 25, 2002

HOUSE

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2002, at 2:00 p.m

Congressional Program Ahead. Week Of February 26 Through March 2, 2002:

Committee on Appropriations, 2/27/02 @ 10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on *U.S. Customs*, 2359 Rayburn and on *Secret Service*, 2362A Rayburn.

Committee on Appropriations, 2/28/02 @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Attorney General. 2358 Rayburn.

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Committee on Appropriations, 2/28/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on *Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms*. 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, 2/27/02 @ 10:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on *"Enron and Beyond: Legislative Solutions."* 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2/28/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health, hearing on *"The Uninsured and Affordable Health Care Coverage."* 334 Cannon.

Committee on Financial Services, 2/26/02 @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled *"Retirement Protection: Fighting fraud in the sale of death."* 2220 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, 2/27/02 @ 3:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled *"How much are Americans at risk until Congress Passes Terrorism Insurance Protection?"* 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, 2/26/02 @ 2:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on *"The National Drug Control Strategy for 2002."* 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, 2/26/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement Policy, hearing on *"Helping Federal Agencies Meet Their Homeland Security Missions: How Private Sector Solutions Can Be Applied to Public Sector Problems."* 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, 2/27/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Full Committee, hearing on *"Justice Department Misconduct in Boston: Are Legislative Solutions Required?"* 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, 2/22/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Hearing on *"Quickening the Pace of Research in Protecting Against Anthrax and Other Biological Terrorist Agents--A Look at Toxin Interference."* 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, 2/26/02 @ 4:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Crime, to mark up **H.R. 3482**, *Cyber Security Enhancement Act of 2001*. 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, 2/27/02 @ 10:30 a.m. Full Committee, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2003 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, and to mark up **H.R. 2146**, *Two Strikes You're Out Child Protection Act*. 2141 Rayburn.

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Committee on the Judiciary, 2/28/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on the Legal Services Corporation. 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, 2/28/02 @ 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.J. Res. 67, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the appointment of individuals to serve as Members of the House of Representatives in the event a significant number of Members are unable to serve at any time because of a national emergency. 2237 Rayburn.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 2/27/02 @ 1:00 p.m. To consider the following: Committee Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2003 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; public buildings 112(b) resolutions; S. 1622, to extend the period of availability of unemployment assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act in the case of victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; H.R. 2804, to designate the United States courthouse located at 95 Seventh Street in San Francisco, California, as the "James R. Browning United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3282, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 400 North Main Street in Butte, Montana, as the "Mike Mansfield Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3643, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 120 12th Street in Columbus, Georgia, as the "J. Robert Elliott Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" S. 1270, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at 8th Avenue and Mill Street in Eugene, Oregon, as the "Wayne Lyman Morse United States Courthouse;" and other pending business. 2167 Rayburn.

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SENATE

S. 565. Election Reform:

Senate continued consideration of S. 565, to establish the Commission on Voting Rights and Procedures to study and make recommendations regarding election technology, voting, and election administration, to establish a grant program under which the Office of Justice Programs and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice shall provide assistance to States and localities in improving election technology and the administration of Federal elections, and to require States to meet uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements for the 2004 Federal elections, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S 987-94, D 116

Adopted:

Dodd Modified Amendment No. 2922, to clarify that the criminal penalties retain the current specific intent standard contained in the underlying statutes.

Pages S 989-91, D 116

McConnell (for Ensign) Modified Amendment No. 2900, to provide for a manual audit capacity that permits voters to verify their vote at the time it is cast and used as the official record for recounts.

Pages S 993-4, D 116

Dodd (for Hollings/Reid/Kohl) Modified Amendment No. 2894, to require the Election Administration Commission to study the advisability of establishing an election day holiday.

Pages S 993-4, D 116

Dodd (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 2926, to improve State recount and contest procedures in elections for Federal office.

Pages S 993-4, D 116

S. 565. Election Reform (Cont'd.):

Pending:

Clinton Amendment No. 2906, to establish a residual ballot performance benchmark.

Pages S 987, D 116

Dodd (for Schumer) Modified Amendment No. 2914, to permit the use of a signature or personal mark for the purpose of verifying the identity of voters who register by mail.

Pages S 988, D 116

Dodd (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 2916, to clarify the application of the safe harbor provisions.

Pages S 988, D 117

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, February 26, 2002.

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Nominations--Agreement:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Robert E. Blackburn, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, with a vote to occur thereon at 10 a.m.; followed by a vote on the nomination of Cindy K. Jorgenson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Pages S 1135, D 117

Text Of H.R. 2646, Agriculture Conservation And Rural Enhancement Act Of 2001, As Passed The Senate On February 13, 2002.

Pages S 1006-134

Committee Meetings Scheduled:

Committee on Appropriations, 3/5/02 @ 10:00 a.m. *Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Subcommittee to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Judiciary. SD-138.*

Committee on the Judiciary, 3/20/02 @ 10:00 a.m. *Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information Subcommittee to hold hearings to examine identity theft and information protection. SD-226.*

Committee on Appropriations, 3/21/02 @ 10:00 a.m. *Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Subcommittee to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Immigration and Naturalization Service, and the Drug Enforcement Administration, all of the Department of Justice. SD-116.*

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Committee on Appropriations: 2/26/02 @ 10:00 a.m. *Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of*

Justice. SD-138.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: 2/26/02 @ 10:00 a.m. To resume oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues, focusing on proposals for change relating to financial reporting by public companies, accounting standards, and oversight of the accounting profession. SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: 2/28/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2003, focusing on winning the war, transformation, and reform issues. SD- 608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: 2/26/02 @ 9:30 a.m. To hold hearings to examine certain issues with respect to the collapse of Enron Corporation. SR-253.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: 2/27/02 @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings on **S. 414**, to amend the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Organization Act to establish a digital network technology program, focusing on the digital divide and minority serving institutions. SR-253.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: 2/28/02 @ 9:30 a.m. Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the protection of content in a digital age, focusing on promoting broadband and digital television transition. SR-253.

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Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: 2/26/02 @ 3:00 p.m. To hold hearings on the nomination of *Gerald Reynolds*, of Missouri, to be *Assistant Secretary of Education for Civil Rights*. SD- 430.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: 2/27/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine **S. 1284, to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation**. SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: 2/26/02 @ 10:00 a.m. *To hold hearings on rulings of the United States Supreme Court affecting tribal government powers and authorities. SD-106.*

Committee on Indian Affairs: 2/27/02 @ 2:00 p.m. Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the management of Indian Trust Funds. SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: 2/26/02 @ 3:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, *to hold hearings to examine the security of our ports against terror*, focusing on technology, resources and homeland defense. SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 2/27/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine sovereign immunity and the protection of intellectual property. SD- 226.

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Committee on the Judiciary: 2/28/02 @ 2:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings to examine the Unaccompanied Alien Child Protection Act. SD- 226.

Next SENATE MEETING: Tuesday, 9:45 a.m., February 26, 2002.
Next HOUSE MEETING: Tuesday, 2:00 p.m., February 26, 2002.

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